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**Shopping for Medicare Supplement
Policies Made Easier**

Jackson, MS – The difference between what Medicare covers and actual medical bills can put an extra financial burden on the already strained budgets of Mississippi Medicare recipients. Many seniors turn to a Medicare supplemental insurance (Medigap) policy to ease that gap. To aid consumers in choosing the best Medigap policy this year, the Mississippi Insurance Department (MID) announces the publication of the 2010 MID Medicare Supplement Shopper's Guide.

The 32-page guide contains valuable information such as changes to Medicare, contact information for questions about your policies, a list of companies writing Medigaps policies in the state and 2010 premium rates for the top 10 companies writing in Mississippi.

"This guide will help consumers better understand their choices and make the decisions that best fit their personal and economic needs," Commissioner of Insurance Mike Chaney said.

The publication is available on-line at the MID website www.mid.state.ms.us or hard copies are available by contacting the MID Consumer Services Division at 1- 800-562-2957.

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